SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 740

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Haynes Edwin Elliott of Elizabethton.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Haynes Edwin Elliott; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Elliott was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Carter County, Haynes Elliott was the son of the late Peter H. and Bessie Shoun Elliott and a graduate of Elizabethton High School, where he served in the renowned Betsy Band; and

WHEREAS, a member of the greatest generation, Mr. Elliott served with the courage and conviction of a true patriot in the United States Army Air Force during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Elliott graduated from the University of Tennessee in 1949, having earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Elliott served with acumen and alacrity as an employee for the late Congressman B. Carroll Reece, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike due to the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, having proven himself a thoughtful and dedicated leader, Haynes Elliott was appointed Regional Operations Director for the United States Postal Service and faithfully executed his assigned duties throughout his illustrious tenure; and

WHEREAS, following his retirement from the Postal Service, Mr. Elliott rendered sterling service as an Industrial and Commercial Developer and distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order through his service as the Executive Director of the

Elizabethton/Carter County Economic Development Commission, bringing numerous industries to the area; and

WHEREAS, a man of faith, Haynes Elliott was an active and devout member of the First Baptist Church of Elizabethton, where he served his Lord for several years; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable man was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Paul Elliott, and his three sisters: Eva Hopkins, Mary Daniels, and Anita Ferguson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Elliott enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Loyce Combs Elliott, for many wonderful years; and

WHEREAS, he was the proud father and father-in-law of Susan and Jon Wallace and the devoted step-father of Teresa Weaver, Jimmy Ritchie, Donna Ritchie, and Denise Cash; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Elliott will also be sorely missed by his grandchildren, Christy and Todd Gray; special nephews, Sam Daniels and Felix Gervais; special niece, Carolyn Bill Morris; and several step-grandchildren, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Haynes Elliot leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Haynes Edwin Elliott, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Elliott.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.